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### Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program November 9, 2010

Reviewed: 

<b>Mine Name:</b> Pine Ridge Mine	<b>Permit Number:</b> S/037/0120
<b>Operator Name:</b> Kyle Kimmerle	<b>Inspection Date:</b> 10/20/2010
<b>Inspector(s):</b> Tom Munson	<b>Time:</b> 8 AM
<b>Other Participants:</b>	<b>Mine Status:</b> Inactive

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concurrent Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Water Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Revegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Permit Fee:** Current

**Bond Amount:** \$5,900

**Purpose of Inspection:** To visit the site.

#### Inspection Summary:

The site remains inactive and does not have ready access any more, due to closed Forest Service roads. The trench that was opened up was never filled in and what would have been considered a reclaimed mine site with limited access remains disturbed.

In conversations with the operator on November 9, 2010, Mr. Kimmerle stated that the Forest Service prevented him from finishing his project. He stated that he originally started the excavation using a rubber tired backhoe and it was not sufficient to dig deep enough to access the portal. He then wanted to bring in a trackhoe, but the Forest Service wanted two million in Liability insurance to use a trackhoe which he was not able to get. Winter hit and he was not allowed in there during this time. He never got back to the project.


Additional photos are also found in the file.



**Conclusions and Recommendations:**

Depending on the outcome of conversations between the operator and the Forest Service, the Division feels this disturbance should be reclaimed if access to this site is restricted due to closed roads and lack of Forest Service approval. There is currently enough money to complete reclamation of the disturbance that exists on site.

**Inspector's Signature**



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Trench remains unreclaimed



Potential additional trench